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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Affairs Committee CLERK: \_\_\_\_\_

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January 25, 1978  
Bangor, Maine

PRESENT: Susan Kominsky, Ellen Platz, Elizabeth Russell, Nils Y. Wessell, Jamie Eves, Roger Teachout. Other trustees: Patricia DiMatteo, Stanley Evans (part of the meeting), Artemus Weatherbee (part of the meeting). Staff: Kenneth Allen (part of the meeting), Donald Beattie, Robert Binswanger (part of the meeting), Tim Brooks, Arthur Buswell, Samuel D'Amico (part of the meeting), Mary Ann Haas, Howard Neville, Einar Olsen (part of the meeting), Stanley Salwak (part of the meeting), and Richard Spath (part of the meeting). Other present: Sandy Bovard, Becky Fisher (part of the meeting), Micke McGovern, Barnett Shur (part of the meeting), press.

Chairman Kominsky convened the meeting and the minutes of the Student Affairs meeting of November 29, 1977 were ACCEPTED as circulated.

Alcohol Consumption. Chairman Kominsky explained that, as a result of questions which arose in discussion with students at the November 29, 1977 Student Affairs meeting at the Farmington Campus, policy involving student possession and use of alcohol on the Campuses was reviewed. It was noted that University Counsel has approved these guidelines, as well as student handbook statements on alcohol use from all campuses except Farmington. In response to Chairman Kominsky's inquiry concerning changes in alcohol law enforcement methods on the Farmington Campus since the last Student Affairs meeting, President Olsen informed the committee that Farmington Vice President for Student Affairs William Geller has worked closely with Campus Resident Assistants in the development of new enforcement approaches. Dr. Olsen stated that the students responsible for enforcement of the law are "comfortable" with the new procedures, despite their unfavorable reaction to the law itself. It was noted that there is diminished participation in social activities on the various campuses since the inception of the new law. Following committee review and discussion of Board Policy Guidelines, it was moved by Dr. Wessell, seconded by Mrs. Platz and

VOTED: to recommend that the Board amend its Policy and Guidelines for Possession and Use of Alcoholic Beverages, as follows:

The following sentence was appended to item #10:  
A copy of such plan shall be transmitted to the Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees for information. Word changes which had been amended prior to Committee distribution were approved. These changes were: The substitution of the word privilege in place of the word right in paragraph one, sentence one, and paragraph two, sentence one, and the exclusion of a segment of item #8: judicial codes and procedures shall provide for due process in.

Student Appointments to Campus Committees. Dr. Haas explained that the Administrative Council policy concerning student appointments to campus committees was not acceptable to UMOSG. It was noted that although this issue was first presented to the Board a year ago, the principal question appeared to be whether this was a policy matter which should be voted on by the Board. Mr. Eves explained the student view of the issue. He stated that students object to administrative selection of student representatives for campus committees, preferring to make these selections themselves. In response, Dr. Wessell indicated that since the present procedures have not generated mutual confidence, the appointment process should be a matter of Board policy. Discussion followed on this issue, with Presidents Neville, Beattie, Spath and Buswell advocating administrative retention of their present right to select the students. Dr. Binswanger suggested that a procedure be adopted in which students would have the right to appeal if the policy does not generate confidence. Several possible appeal mechanisms were suggested.

Further discussion was suspended and the meeting recessed to accommodate the Joint Session of the Physical Plant, Finance and Student Affairs Committees. Following that session the Chairman reconvened the meeting and discussion was resumed.

Chairman Kominsky suggested several amendments to the Administrative Council policy statement. After discussion of the suggested changes, there was unanimous agreement for acceptance of this amended statement. On motion of Dr. Wessell, which was seconded by Dr. Russell, it was

VOTED: to recommend that the Board approve the amended  
policy on Student Appointments to Campus  
Committees.

On motion of Dr. Wessell which was seconded, the Committee voted to request that the Presidents report on campus acceptance of the amended policy at the next Student Affairs meeting.

Student Activity Fees. Discussion of this issue was postponed, and the Committee requested that the topic be included on the agenda for the March meeting.

NEBHE Resolution. There was brief discussion of the NEBHE proposal to raise the tuition rate for the NEBHE Regional Student Program. Dr. Haas discussed the reactions of various New England institutions to the resolution. Difficulties in acquiring information concerning the Regional Student Program, as well as the Land Grant Program were mentioned and members were informed that detailed information may be acquired at campus admissions offices.

Revised Copyright Law. The Committee was informed of current negotiations concerning the copyright law. The moratorium currently in effect is to be extended and the institutions involved have been asked to await a formal decision. Dr. Binswanger informed the committee that, at present, there are no campus guidelines involving this issue.

Adjournment.

Mary E. Phillips  
for  
JoAnne R. Magill  
Clerk of the Board